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Scope

This Recommendation provides interference criteria data which should be used for compatibility and sharing studies for MetAids operating in the 400.15-406 MHz and 1 668.4-1 700 MHz bands.

The ITU Radiocommunication Assembly,

considering

- a) that interference criteria are needed to ensure that systems can be designed to achieve adequate performance in the presence of interference;
- b) that the performance objectives for radiosonde, dropsonde, and rocketsonde systems are specified in Recommendation ITU-R RS.1165;
- c) that interference criteria assist in the development of criteria for sharing bands among systems, including those operating in other services;
- d) that systems in the meteorological aids (MetAids) service must specify interference thresholds at least equal to the permissible levels,

recommends

- 1** that the interference levels specified in Tables 1 and 2 should be used as the permissible total levels of interfering signal power at the antenna output of receiving stations operating in the MetAids service based on the MetAids parameters of representative systems as provided in Annex 1.

TABLE 1
 Interference criteria for radiosonde systems in the MetAids service

Parameter	Radio direction finding (RDF) radiosonde system 1 668.4-1 700 MHz	GPS radiosonde system 1 675-1 683 MHz	NAVAID with directional antenna 400.15-406 MHz	NAVAID with omnidirectional antenna 400.15-406 MHz
System reference bandwidth	1 300 kHz	150 kHz	300 kHz	
Interference signal power (dBW) in the reference bandwidth to be exceeded no more than $P_{LOCK-LOSS}$ % of the time	-135.3	-137.2	-141.9	Not applicable ⁽¹⁾
Percentage of time, $P_{LOCK-LOSS}$ (%) ⁽²⁾	0.02	0.025	0.02	Not applicable ⁽¹⁾
Interference signal power (dBW) in the reference bandwidth to be exceeded no more than $P_{DATA-LOSS}$ % of the time	-139.4	-145.7	-149.6	-154.4
Percentage of time, $P_{DATA-LOSS}$ (%) ⁽²⁾	0.8	0.125	0.2	0.2
Interference signal power (dBW) in the reference bandwidth to be exceeded no more than 20% of the time ⁽²⁾	-155.2	-152.6	-156.1	

⁽¹⁾ Systems with omnidirectional antennas are not vulnerable to losing antenna lock on the signal due to interference or signal fading.

⁽²⁾ This percentage of time shall not be exceeded on a per-flight basis.